

UOW grade descriptors for assessments with performance levels: Fail – High Distinction

GRADE	DESCRIPTOR
High Distinction (HD) 85-100%	<p>For performance that provides evidence of an outstanding level of attainment of the relevant subject learning outcomes, demonstrating the attributes of a distinction grade plus (as applicable) one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consistent evidence of deep and critical understanding • substantial originality and insight in identifying, generating and communicating competing arguments, perspectives or problem-solving approaches • critical evaluation of problems, their solutions and their implications • use of quantitative analysis of data as the basis for deep and thoughtful judgments, drawing insightful, carefully qualified conclusions from this work • creativity in application as appropriate to the discipline • eloquent and sophisticated communication of information and ideas in terms of the conventions of the discipline • consistent application of appropriate skills, techniques and methods with outstanding levels of precision and accuracy • all or almost all answers correct, very few or none incorrect
Distinction (D) 75-84%	<p>For performance that provides evidence of a superior level of attainment of the relevant subject learning outcomes, demonstrating the attributes of a credit grade plus (as applicable) one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evidence of integration and evaluation of critical ideas, principles, concepts and/or theories • distinctive insight and ability in applying relevant skills, techniques, methods and/or concepts • demonstration of frequent originality in defining and analysing issues or problems and providing solutions • fluent and thorough communication of information and ideas in terms of the conventions of the discipline • frequent application of appropriate skills, techniques and methods with superior levels of precision and accuracy • most answers correct, few incorrect
Credit (C) 65-74%	<p>For performance that provides evidence of a high level of attainment of the relevant subject learning outcomes, demonstrating the attributes of a pass grade plus (as applicable) one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evidence of learning that goes beyond replication of content knowledge or skills • demonstration of solid understanding of fundamental concepts in the field of study • demonstration of the ability to apply these concepts in a variety of contexts • use of convincing arguments with appropriate coherent and logical reasoning • clear communication of information and ideas in terms of the conventions of the discipline • regular application of appropriate skills, techniques and methods with high levels of precision and accuracy • many answers correct, some incorrect
Pass (P) 50-64%	<p>For performance that provides evidence of a satisfactory level attainment of the relevant subject learning outcomes, demonstrating (as applicable) one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • knowledge, understanding and application of fundamental concepts of the field of study • use of routine arguments with acceptable reasoning • adequate communication of information and ideas in terms of the conventions of the discipline • ability to apply appropriate skills, techniques and methods with satisfactory levels of precision and accuracy • a combination of correct and incorrect answers
Fail (F) <50%	<p>For performance that does not provide sufficient evidence of attainment of the relevant subject learning outcomes.</p>
Technical Fail (TF)	<p>When minimum performance level requirements for at least one assessment item in the subject as a whole has not been met despite the student achieving at least a satisfactory level of attainment of the subject learning outcomes.</p>

